

REMARKS

Claims 1-3 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 given Deluca et al. (U.S. Patent No. 4,952,927) (“Deluca”) in view of Bluthgen et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,693,636) (“Bluthgen”). The applicants respectfully traverse these rejections and request reconsideration.

The Deluca reference requires filling a display screen with all words that will fit at any given time. See, for example, column 10, lines 39-46 of Deluca. Bluthgen’s interest, on the other hand, deals more with avoiding confusion as may be caused by control characters and the like in the textual content. As is clearly evident in Bluthgen, however, both in the written description and in the drawings, Bluthgen also seeks to make as much use of available display space as is possible.

Neither reference has any suggestion that a display of available text be limited to less than what the display is actually capable of presenting, and in particular there are no teachings with respect to presenting a one word segment using the display and no more than one word segment notwithstanding that additional word segments are available to display and that the display is capable of simultaneously displaying such additional word segments. (As used herein, and as is clearly defined in the claims as amended, the “word segments” comprise segments containing more than one word.)

As the applicants’ claims clearly recite that such limitations be observed, and as these limitations are neither taught nor suggested by either reference, the applicants respectfully submit that no combination of these references, however obvious or unobvious that combination might be, will yield the subject matter as claimed.

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The applicants therefore respectfully submit that claims 1 and 3-6 may be passed to allowance.

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